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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

JFK assassination records- New York FBI office 8/14/79
appeal from denial dated 8/8/79

The attached response by the N.Y. F.O. is in fact a denial.

The denial is made possible by a deliberate misinterpretation of my request, which was NOT for what I already have, what is in the FBI's reading room.

This kind of rewriting of my requests has led to much costly litigation.

And, of course, noncompliance, the clear purpose.

I've heard many complaints about the FBI but that it is unable to read English is not among them. This letter is to acknowledge receipt of your letter to the New York Office, dated July 16, 1979.

It appears that the material you are seeking is of a preprocessed nature, and available for your review only at Federal Bureau of Investigation Headquarters (FBIHQ).

It is advised that you make prior arrangements with FBIHQ, either by letter or telephone (202-324-5520 (FOIPA Branch Front Office)), with 48 hours advance notice prior to your appearance to review the material.

This material is available in the FOIPA Reading Room for review for the purpose of note taking and/or ordering copies at ten cents per page. If the material desired is of a small amount, you will be able to buy and receive documents while in the Reading Room with little delay. However, if upon review you wish a substantial amount of material, the documents chosen will be mailed to you at a later date.

If there are any questions concerning your request, you should notify FBIHQ concerning this matter.

Very truly yours,

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